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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**IN RE APPLICATION OF****CHANG ET AL.****APPLICATION NO: 10/056,884****FILED: JANUARY 24, 2002****FOR: POLYNUCLEOTIDE ENCODING A NOVEL HUMAN POTASSIUM
CHANNEL BETA-SUBUNIT, K+BETAM2**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

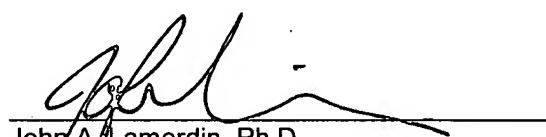
Sir:

The Office Action of September 17, 2003 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on December 17, 2003. A one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-3880 in the name of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company in the amount of \$110 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-3880 in the name of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.

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